

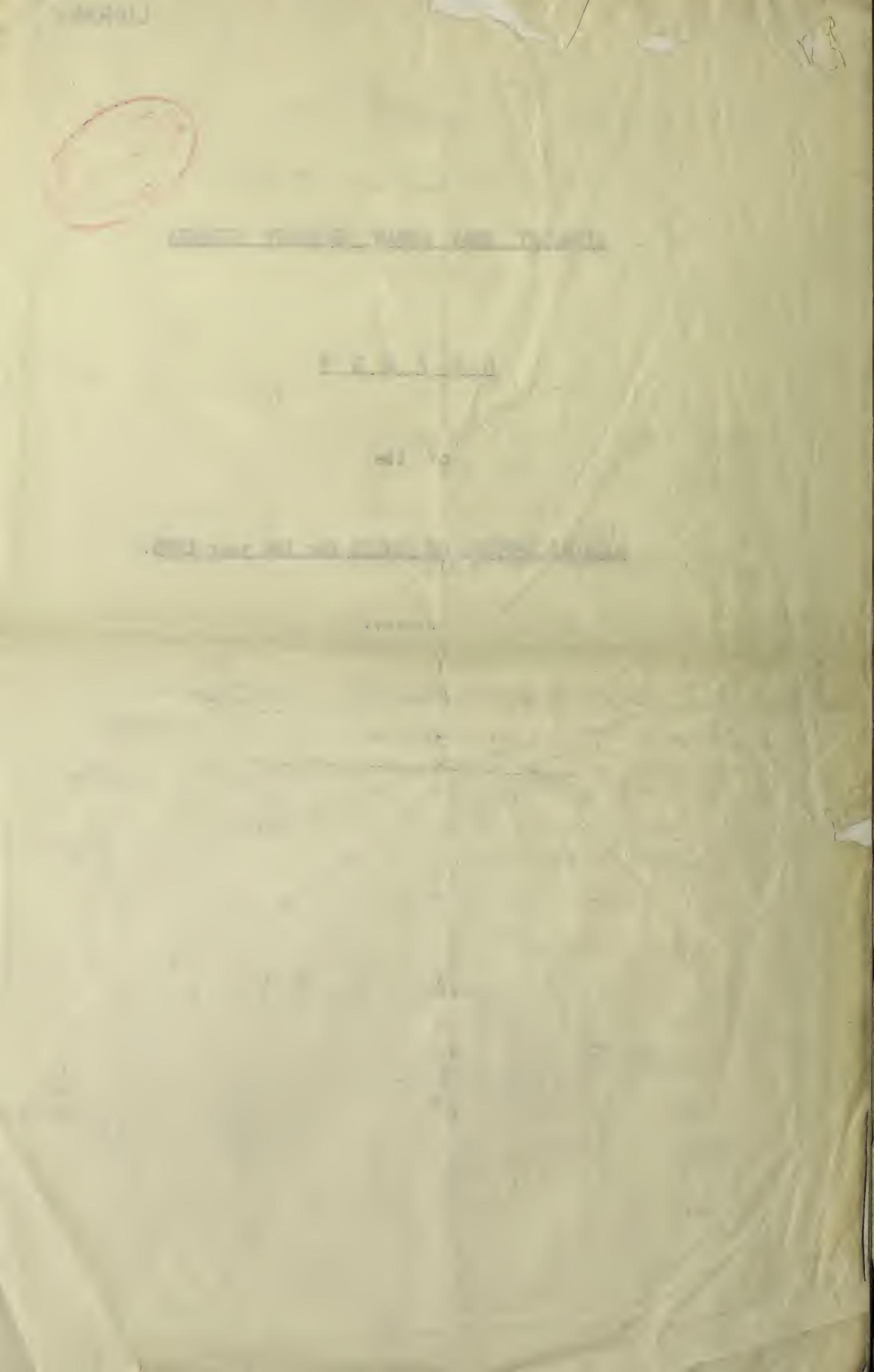


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PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER OF THE AUTHORITY:

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SANITARY INSPECTOR (who is also Surveyor)

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SECTION A. - STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------|-------|
| Area (acres)... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 699 |
| Registrar-Generals estimate of resident population in mid-year, 1938... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 3,111 |
| Number of inhabited houses (end of 1938)... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 944 | |
| Rateable value... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | £31,881 | |
| Sum represented by a penny rate... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | £120. | |

SOCIAL CONDITIONS

The District is residential and rural.

There are no large works.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

| | Total | M. | F. | |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|----|--------------------------|
| Live Births (Legitimate) | 35 | 22 | 13 | { Birth Rate per 1000 |
| (Illegitimate) | 2 | 2. | 0 | { of the estimated res- |
| Still Births (Legitimate) | 2 | - | 2 | { ident population 11.8 |
| (Illegitimate) | - | - | - | { Rate per 1,000 total |
| Deaths | 34 | 18.16 | 54 | { (live & still) births |
| | | | | { 54 |
| | | | | { Death Rate per 1000 of |
| | | | | { the estimated resident |
| | | | | { population 10.93. |

Death Rate corrected for age and sex distribution for comparison with Death Rate for England and Wales... ... 10.82

For England and Wales, Birth Rate (Live Births ... 15.1 per 1000 total population. Still Births ... 0.60.

" " Death Rate... ... 11.6

Deaths from puerpual causes... ... Nil.

Deaths of Infants under one year of age.

Total M. F.

Legitimate... ... 1 - 1

Illegitimate... ... - - -

Death Rate of Infants per 1000 live births... ... 27

For England and Wales, Death Rate of all Infants

per 1000 live births... 53

Deaths from Cancer (all ages)... 6

" " Measles... Nil.

" " Whooping Cough... Nil

" " Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)... ... Nil.

Causes of Death:

| | Total | M. | F. |
|---|-------|----|----|
| 1. Influenza (6)... 1 | - | 1 | |
| 2. Tuberculosis (non-respiratory) (10) | 1 | 1 | - |
| 3. Cancer (13)... 6 | 4 | 2 | |
| 4. Cerebral Haemorrhage &c. (15)... 2 | - | 2 | |
| 5. Heart Disease (16)... 6 | 5 | 1 | |
| 6. Other circulatory diseases (18)... 5 | 3 | 2 | |
| 7. Pneumonia (all forms) (20)... ... 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| 8. Septic Ulcer (22)... 1 | 1 | - | |
| 9. Other Digestive Disorders (27)... 4 | 1 | 3 | |
| 10. Acute and Chronic Nephritis (28)... 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| 11. Other violence (34)... 1 | - | 1 | |
| 12. Other Defined Diseases (35)... ... 3 | 1 | 2 | |

The numbers in brackets are those in the Registrar General's Short List.

SECTION B.- GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

Developments or changes provided in the services in the area:-

(a) Laboratory facilities:

No change.

(b) Ambulance facilities

No change. The Service is adequate.

(c) Nursing in the Home:

No change.

(d) Treatment Centres and Clinics

No change.

(e) Hospitals:

No change.

SECTION C. SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. (i) Water

There has been no extension, during the year, of public Water supplies.

No action has been taken in respect of any form of contamination.

The supply has been satisfactory in quality and quantity.

The water (which is supplied by the Stockport Corporation) has been analysed monthly and reports to the Council.

(ii) Drainage and Sewerage.

No change. Effluents examined periodically by Rivers Board.

2. Rivers and Streams.

No action required.

3. (i) Closet accommodation.

No conversion has taken place during the year of any of the 28 closets on the conservancy system.

(ii) Public Cleansing.

No change.

(iii) Sanitary Inspection of the Area

| <u>Nature of Inspections made.</u> | <u>Number.</u> |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
|------------------------------------|----------------|

| | |
|--|------|
| 1 Dwellinghouses (general inspection)... | 103. |
|--|------|

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| <u>Nature of Inspections made.</u> | <u>Number.</u> |
|---|----------------|
| 2. Privy Middins, Earth or Pail Closets.... | 15 |
| 3. House Drainage... | 10 |
| 4. (a) Cowsheds... | 13 |
| (b) Milkshops... | 9 |
| 5. Factories... | 11 |
| 6. Workshops... | 55. |
| 7. Workplaces... | 7. |
| 8. Bakehouses... | 7. |
| 9. Infectious Disease Inquiries & Revisits... | 4 |
| 10. Piggeries... | 8 |
| Notices were served... | 2 |

(iv) Shops Act 1934.

No action required.

(v) Smoke abatement.

No action taken.

(vi) Swimming Baths and Pools.

There are no public or privately owned swimming baths or pools open to the public in the district.

(vii) Eradication of bed bugs.

No action required.

4. Schools.

The sanitary condition and water supply are satisfactory.

SECTION D. HOUSING

1. Inspection of dwellinghouses during the year:-

| | |
|---|------|
| (1) (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)... | 70 |
| (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose | 75 |
| (2) (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925... | 68 |
| (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose | 80 |
| (3) Number of houses found to be in a state so dangerous to health as to be unfit for human habitation... | Nil. |

| | |
|---|------|
| (4) Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation... | 12 |
| <u>2. Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices:-</u> | |
| Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their Officers... | 12 |
| <u>3. Action under statutory powers during the year.</u> | |
| (a) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act 1936 | |
| (1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs... | Nil. |
| (2) Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:- | |
| (a) By owners... | Nil. |
| (b) By Local Authority in default of owners... | Nil. |
| (b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts: | |
| (1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied... | Nil. |
| (2) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:- | |
| (a) By owners... | Nil. |
| (b) By Local Authority in default of owners. | Nil. |
| (c) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act 1936:- | |
| (1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made... | Nil. |
| (2) Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders... ,,, | Nil. |
| (d) Proceedings under Section 20 of the Housing Act 1936: | |
| (1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made... | Nil. |
| (2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or rooms having been made fit... | Nil. |

4. Housing Act 1936 Part IV. Overcrowding.

(a) (i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the Year... Nil.

(ii) 12 cases of grossly overcrowded bedrooms.

(b) Number of cases of overcrowding reported during the year... Nil.

(c) (i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the Year... Nil.

SECTION E. - INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

(a) MILK SUPPLY

Farms and dairies were inspected; their condition was found to be satisfactory.

(b) MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

There are no slaughterhouses in the District: Retail meat Shops inspected from time to time. The Bakehouses were inspected and their condition generally found to be satisfactory.

SECTION F - PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Antitoxin for diphtheria is provided by the Council.

Bacteriological examinations made at the Manchester Public Health Laboratory.

| | Total | Positive. |
|------------------------------|-------|-----------|
| Diphtheria (throat swabs)... | ... 2 | 0. |

Bacteriological examinations made at the Laboratory of the County Council.

| | Total | Positive |
|--------------------------|-------|----------|
| Tuberculosis (Sputum)... | ... 5 | 2 |

No action was taken to provide artificial immunization against Diphtheria nor in regard to the use of measles serum.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR 1938.

| <u>Disease.</u> | <u>Total Cases Notified</u> | <u>Cases admitted to Hospital</u> | <u>Total Deaths.</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Scarlet Fever | 5 | 5 | - |
| Diphtheria | 1 | 1 | - |
| Pneumonia | 2 | - | 2 |

AGE GROUPS.

| | 5- | 10- | 15- | 20- | 45- | 65- |
|---------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Scarlet Fever | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - |
| Diphtheria. | | | | | 1 | |
| Pneumonia | | | | | | 2 |

